



1040 Harley-Davidson Way  
Sturgis, SD 57785



September 23-24

## Upcoming Meetings and Closures

**Evening at the Movies:** August 31 at 5:30 *The Good Dinosaur*.  
**City offices will be closed on Monday, September 5 for Labor Day.** Trash normally collected on Monday will be picked up on Tuesday.  
**Sturgis City Council:** September 6 and 19 at 6:30pm at the Erskine Building, 1300 Sherman Street.  
**Planning & Zoning:** September 7 at 5:30pm at Sturgis City Hall.  
**Evening at the Movies:** September 7 - (Double Feature) *Dragons: Gift of the Night Fury* & *Fiddler on the Roof*.  
**Ag Banquet:** September 17 at 5:00 social dinner at 6:30 at the Community Center.  
**Jackpine Gypsies:** September 11, MX Race at 9:00am.  
**Oktoberfest:** September 23 & 24 in downtown Sturgis. Activities will take place at Harley-Davidson Rally Point and at local businesses.

### Sturgis/Meade County Animal Shelter Open House

When: September 17, 2:00 until 6:00pm  
Where: 1140 Otter Road, Sturgis

Please join us for an afternoon of fun at the Animal Shelter.

-  Tour the newly remodeled cat room
-  Meet our many dogs & cats who are ready for adoption
-  Door prizes & discounts
-  Kids crafts and activities

*Your New Best Friend is  
Waiting for You!*



## Officials

### Mayor

Mark Carstensen 490-1044

### Council Members

#### Ward One:

Mike Bachand 490-1054  
Rod Bradley 389-3209

#### Ward Two:

Tony Dargatz 490-3584  
David Martinson 720-5299

#### Ward Three:

Jason Anderson 490-1618  
Ron Waterland 720-5010

#### Ward Four:

Steve Keszler 206-1500  
Rhea Crane 490-8615

#### City Manager

Daniel Ainslie 347-4422

## Sturgis Information Publication

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*Our Mission: To provide an attractive, growing community being served by a professional staff that offers reliable, quality municipal services.*

## Sturgis Mustang Rally August 30 - September 2

Soon the streets of Sturgis will be filled with Mustang enthusiasts as the 10th Annual Sturgis Mustang Rally takes place August 30 - September 4. Hundreds of participants are expected to take part in this annual event held in downtown Sturgis and at the Thunder Dome.

A full line up of activities is planned for SMR registered participants. Many activities are also open to the public to watch, including the following:



### Wednesday

7:00 - 9:00pm Mustang Rodeo

### Thursday

6:00 - 8:00pm Launch Box Competition

8:00 - 9:00pm Burnout Competition

### Friday

1:00 - 4:00pm Auto Cross Competition

5:00 - 5:30pm Drifting Competition

5:30 - 7:00pm Barrel Racing Competition

### Saturday

10:00am - 4:00pm Show & Shine on Main Street

5:00pm Parade on Main Street

6:00 - 11:00pm Drag Racing at Sturgis Dragway

### Sunday

8:00am - Noon Auto Cross Competition

8:00am Cowboy Church at the Thunder Dome

To view a full list of events visit [SturgisMustangRally.com](http://SturgisMustangRally.com) or the Sturgis Mustang Rally Facebook page.

## Opening Soon in Sturgis

Enviro Shield Products, Inc., a manufacturer of spill containment products for the oil industry, is relocating from Williston, ND to the Sturgis Industrial Park.

Shane Herman, CEO/ President of Enviro Shield Products, has developed a new spill containment product that can be expanded into other markets, including the motorcycle industry.



Mr. Herman plans to be fully operational in his 7,000 sq. ft. building in Sturgis in October. Two employees will relocate from Williston and another three will be hired locally. When at capacity, it is expected to have 12 full time employees. Enviro Shield is located at 1204 Sturgis Street.

Sturgis MotoCruzin USA, producer of a complete line of motorized bicycles, will start production in Sturgis in September.

Owners Chuck Jepson and Bruce Lindholm have a manufacturing and license agreement with Motoped, a Kansas City, MO based company. Sturgis MotoCruzin USA will market and produce three distinct Motoped products. Motopeds are motorized bicycles equipped with engines less than 50 cc, as well as mountain bike parts mounted to a custom frame and swing arm. They may be ridden on the street without registration, but are limited to a 30 mph speed limit. They will be located in a leased space in the Sturgis Industrial Park. They will employ five to start and expect to expand capacity in the near future with plans to build a 20,000 sq. ft. production facility.



Area Veterans Honored During Military Appreciation Day

Two area Veterans were honored on Tuesday, August 9, as part of Military Appreciation Day at the Sturgis® Motorcycle Rally™.

Charles L. Childs, Lt. Col. Ret., joined the National Guard of North Dakota in November of 1940. He became a light machine gunner in the 164th Infantry. In 1941, while on maneuvers in Louisiana, he was accepted as an Aviation Cadet in the Army Air Corps. He trained as a Flying Cadet until July 3, 1942 when he was commissioned as 2nd Lt. and an Army Air Corps Pilot.

His first assignment as a pilot was instructing British Cadets. While in the Training Program, he instructed the operations of B-25's, B-17's and B-24's. He finally received orders for combat in B-17's to the Fifteenth Air Force in Italy.

Childs flew 37 combat missions of which 28 were as lead pilot. He received two distinguished Flying Crosses while in combat. Three years later, he was flying on the Berlin Airlift, hauling food and coal in C-54's for the Germans and against the Russians. Having completed 196 missions into Berlin, he received the Humane Action Medal. Childs also flew in the Korean War hauling supplies and paratroopers into the combat zone for which he received the Bronze Star.

After retiring from the service as a Lt. Col. in 1961, he became a Court Service Officer with the 7th District Court. He currently resides with his wife, Grace, in Rapid City.

Gordon B. Lease enlisted with the US Coast Guard on December 22, 1941. On December 24th, he was painting commandeered yachts at San Pedro, California, when a Japanese submarine (I-19) torpedoed the SS Absaroka. He responded on his boat, a CGR-299, and recovered one deceased and seven survivors.

During his service, Gordon accomplished many missions including time spent assigned to the Southern Assault Force Task Group 81.3 in the Gulf of Salerno, Italy, where his ship carried elements of the US 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion. Petty Officer Lease was commended by his Commanding



Officer for his actions during amphibious operations at Salerno, Italy. While under heavy bombing, Lease aided in the rescue of wounded and burned survivors from the S.S. James W. Marshall. His time in Italy also included the assault on Anzio where his action included debarking of British commandos. When finished, he was again commended for his actions during amphibious operations at Anzio, Italy while under heavy bombing attacks and artillery shelling.

In June of 1944 while serving on the USS Narragansett II, the LST-381 made seven trips to the Normandy beaches, where the vessel sustained bomb damage. Boatswains Mate Gordon B. Lease was commended by his Commanding Officer for his actions while under enemy bombing attacks and while aiding in the loading aboard and care of 265 seriously wounded soldiers, during which time the enemy was constantly attacking.

Lease was honorably discharged on June 19th, 1945, having served 3 years and 5 months. Following his WWII service, Lease worked 11 years for the City of Los Angeles as a Water Treatment Operator. On February 9th, 1948 he married his beautiful wife, Georgia. They are still married after 68 and one half years. Lease and his wife moved to Rapid City in 1963. He worked at Ellsworth Air Force Base as a Water Plant Operator, Purchasing Agent and Contracting Officer, retiring in 1984.

In June, 2013, the President of France, Francois Hollande, awarded Lease the French Legion of Honor Medal for his actions during the Normandy Campaign in 1944.

The Military Appreciation Day Ceremonies also included presentations from Brigadier General Rus Walz with the South Dakota National Guard, Colonel Gentry Boswell, Wing Commander at Ellsworth Air Force Base and Captain David Granato. A large contingent of military, including The Green Knights, rode from Ellsworth AFB to attend the ceremony. The event was scheduled to finish with a B-1 flyover of Main Street; however, the flight was postponed until Friday due to a mechanical problem.



Please help us welcome Liz Wunderlich, P.E. to the City Staff as the new City Engineer.

Liz is a South Dakota registered Professional Engineer and she will be a great addition to the Planning & Permitting team as she helps the City with a variety of engineering related projects. Liz and her husband currently own an engineering business in Rapid City. Liz has an extensive background in transportation, storm sewer design, drainage, water and sanitary systems. She previously worked for the state of Nebraska and as a volunteer for the non-profit "Engineering Ministries International" organization.



Pop-Up Art Show

Calling all area artists!

You're invited to enter your original works of art in the 2016 Pop-Up Art Show. This multi-venue event is being hosted by the Sturgis Public Library, Sturgis Center for the Arts and First Interstate Bank during the month of October with receptions taking place on Friday, October 14, 2016.

Classes: Adult (age 19 and up) High School (grades 9-12)  
Middle School (grades 6-8) Grade School (grades K-2)

Categories: Painting (oil, acrylic, watercolor), mixed media, drawing (chalk, pencil, charcoal, crayon, marker), fiber and sculpture (Adult & High School only). Maximum size is 26" x 30" for art and 36" x 36" for fiber.

Entry forms and registration fees are due by Monday, September 19th, at the Sturgis Public Library. Artwork is due Monday, September 26th, through Wednesday, September 28th at the designated category location during regular business hours. Registration forms are available at all sponsor locations. For more information, contact the Sturgis Public Library at 347-2624.



Oktoberfest in downtown Sturgis  
September 23 & 24. Food, Fun, Music, Contests and more. Watch the City Facebook page for details.

Registration is Now Open

K-2 Flag Football

Sign up now by calling the Sturgis Community Center at 347-6513.

FOOTBALL

Contact Information

City Hall 347-4422  
City Attorney 347-4422  
Code Enforcement and Inspections 347-4422

Finance Office 347-4422  
Human Resources 347-4422  
Rally Department 720-0800  
1040 Harley-Davidson Way

Community Center 347-6513  
5:00 - 8:00 Mon. - Fri.  
8:00 - 5:00 Sat.  
Noon - 5:00 Sun.  
1401 Lazelle Street

Fire & Ambulance 347-5801  
Emergency 911  
7:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri.  
1901 Ballpark Road

Library 347-2624  
8:00 - 7:00 Mon. - Thur.  
8:00 - 5:00 Fri.  
8:00 - 4:00 Sat.  
1040 Harley-Davidson Way

Liquor Store 347-5983  
8:00 - 10:00 Mon. - Sat.  
10:00 - 6:00 Sun.  
1075 Lazelle Street

Parks Department 347-9018  
8:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri.  
1920 Ballpark Road  
Shelter Reservations call 347-4422

Police Department 347-5070  
Emergency 911  
1400 Main Street

Public Works 347-3916  
7:00 - 4:00 Mon. - Fri.  
1057 Dudley Street  
Rubble Site 347-5605  
8:00 - 4:45 Mon. - Sat.  
20492 Avalanch Road

Water Department 347-4422  
8:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri.  
1040 Harley-Davidson Way  
After Hours Emergency call  
Police Dispatch 347-2573  
Payment Drop Box:  
1040 Harley-Davidson Way  
We accept credit cards.